

## Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning



Planning for the Challenges Ahead

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David McNeill, Executive Officer Baldwin Hills Conservancy 3578C Eastham Drive Culver City, CA 90232

RE: Baldwin Hills Community Advisory Panel (CAP)

Dear David McNeill, Executive Officer,

Thank you for your contributions and advocacy in the development of the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (CSD). In October 2008, the CSD was adopted by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. This CSD establishes new development standards and operating procedures to ensure that all activities related to the Baldwin Hills Oil Field are conducted in a safe manner and are compatible with the surrounding uses.

We are committed to a transparent and accountable process for the implementation and continued monitoring of the oil and gas production as set forth in the CSD. This requires consistent reporting with community input.

As provided in the CSD, we are proceeding with the establishment of a Community Advisory Panel (CAP) to foster communication related to the ongoing operations at the oil field and to allow community representatives an opportunity to provide input to the County and the operator. Positions are available on the panel, tentatively allocated to representatives from the following categories:

8 seats:

Homeowner Associations

2 seats:

**Community Organizations** 

2 seats:

Property owners who are not members of an area Homeowner

Association

2 seats:

Local Area School Districts

2 seats:

Inglewood Oil Field Landowners

1 seat:

City of Los Angeles

1 seat:

City of Culver City

1 seat:

West Los Angeles College

1 seat:

Plains Exploration & Production Company

1 seat:

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Please contact Leon Freeman at (213) 974-6453 ext. 5 or <a href="mailto:lifeeman@planning.lacounty.gov">lfreeman@planning.lacounty.gov</a> before 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, 2009, to convey your interest or nominate a representative for consideration for the panel. You will be notified in approximately two weeks if you are appointed to the panel.

The first meeting will be scheduled for a weekday evening in early March 2009 with full details to follow shortly. Please note that CAP meetings will be open to the public and that all relevant information regarding the CSD, including CAP meetings, will be regularly updated at <a href="http://planning.lacounty.gov/baldwinhills">http://planning.lacounty.gov/baldwinhills</a>.

Thank you for your service to the community.

Jon Sanabria

Very Truly Yours,

Acting Director of Planning